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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;

Mark Acton, Vice Chairman; and

Robert G. Taub

Competitive Product Prices Global Plus 1C Contracts (MC2012-6) Negotiated Service Agreement Docket No. CP2013-39

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF IN GLOBAL PLUS 1C CONTRACT NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

(Issued January 10, 2014)

On January 2, 2014, the Postal Service filed a Motion concerning a modification (Modification Two) of the Global Plus 1C Contract negotiated service agreement approved in Docket No. CP2013-39 (Agreement).¹ Modification Two extends the Agreement's expiration date from January 25, 2014 to February 28, 2014 and amends Article 15, Postage Updates.²

¹ Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief and Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Modification Two to a Global Plus 1C Contract Negotiated Service Agreement, January 2, 2014 (collectively, Motion).

² Motion at 1. See also United States Postal Service Response to Order No. 1809 Concerning Effective Date of Global Plus 1C Contracts Negotiated Service Agreement, as Revised by Modification One, August 27, 2013.

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In support of its Motion, the Postal Service states that it intends to initiate a new rate docket in which it will file a successor to the Agreement, but in the interest of continuity of pricing and other terms and conditions, asks that the Agreement remain on

the Mail Classification Schedule, as amended by the terms set forth in Modification Two.

Motion at 2.

The Commission grants the Motion. Granting the relatively brief extension is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person. The brief extension will not materially affect cost coverage. In any event, the anticipated successor docket provides an avenue for addressing pricing-related matters.

It is ordered:

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed

January 2, 2014, is granted.

2. The Agreement, as amended, is authorized to remain in the Mail Classification

Schedule through February 28, 2014.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove, Secretary